

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September

## Welcome to Wheal Harmony

Dear parents and carers,

I am writing to welcome you back to Wheal Harmony. We have had such a lovely week with your children. They have been excited, engaged and keen to get on with learning.

We have a very enthusiastic and experienced team who are really looking forward to the year ahead.

Monday – Thu am		Fri am
Ms Shuttleworth		Mrs Evison
Mrs Russell		Mrs Wilkins
Mrs Wilkins		Mrs Blake
Mon – Wed pm	Thu pm	Fri pm
Ms Shuttleworth	Mrs Evison	Mrs Pay
Mrs Wilkins	Mrs Wilkins	Mrs Blake
Mrs Blake		

Our mornings are very structured with the children focussing on English and Maths. We do cross curricular learning in the afternoons. PE is on a Tuesday. Mr Russell will be taking the children for PE on Tuesdays but we do lots of active learning throughout the week. Children should come to school dressed in their PE kit on Tuesday mornings. We have a gardening session with Mrs Doble on Friday mornings. I am attaching our learning for the Autumn term so if you have any queries or questions please just get in touch.

We focus on English and Maths for home learning but set one termly home learning task linked to our project.

Home Learning	What? When? How?
<u>Reading</u>	Little Wandle phonics/word reading: sheets sent home weekly
We expect children to	Little Wandle phonically decodable reading books: books sent
do a minimum of four	home weekly
reads per week to	Library books: books sent home weekly
ensure they achieve	
fluency.	Please date and write what has been read in the reading record.
	(We count 'reads' on a Friday)

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<u>Spelling</u>	Spelling shed activities are set weekly.
	www.spellingshed.com
	Log ins and a parents guide are attached.
	Written spelling practise.
	Home learning is sent home weekly. Please complete and return
	to class on a Friday
<u>Maths</u>	Winning with Numbers
	An online resources to support fluency in maths.
	Logins and a parents guide will be sent next week.
	Times Tables learning
	Log ins and a parent guide will be sent to Year 2 next week.
	This will be introduced to the Year 1 children later in the year.
	https://ttrockstars.com/
	Numbots/TT Rockstars
	https://numbots.com/families/
	Log ins and a parent guide will be sent home next week.
Cross curricular home	Our topic will be exploring different weather patterns across the
<u>learning Project</u>	globe. We will have a particular focus on extreme weather, in the
	polar regions in particular. The home learning task is to create a
	polar region scene in a shoe box.
	Dioramas should be sent into school after half term by
	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> of November.
	We are inviting parents/carers into school on <u>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup></u>
	<u>November 9-10am</u> to share our learning.

If you have any queries about home learning please just get in touch. We will be providing more information about reading and maths in particular as the term progresses so bear with us. We are introducing a new reading and writing scheme so its all very exciting!

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## **School Equipment**

Children should come to school with the following:

Book bag (daily), wellies (to be kept in school), water bottle, waterproof coat, snack for morning break and spare joggers or leggings in case they get very wet at lunchtime. We do lots of outdoor learning as we have the amazing wild area and although we have dungarees and spare waterproof children invariably get wet. Spare socks would also be really useful!

## <u>Snacks</u>

We provide fruit and crackers for morning and afternoon break. Feel free to send your child into school with a healthy snack for morning break. Anyone who has paid for milk will have it at morning break.

## **Communication**

We use Class Dojo to communicate with parents/carers and to post the children's learning. Please use the log in sheets sent home to log in and check regularly for updates or news. You can message me on there. I log off at 6pm so any messages sent after 6pm I will answer the following day. A member of the team is always on the classroom door in the mornings or afternoons if you want to catch us for a quick chat. If you would like more time, please call the school office and arrange an appointment.

Best wishes

Ms Shuttleworth

Class Teacher

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